

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 2, 4-5, 10-11, 13-15, 17-18, 20, 22-23, 26 and 28-29, and amend claims 1, 9 and 30-32 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus contained in a floatable state inside a container for containing an absorbed liquid waste comprising:

a solidifying agent retaining portion for retaining a solidifying agent;

a revolution prevention member having a guide member arranged at a sidewall of a float body or at an outer peripheral portion of the float body, said revolution prevention member being restrained by an inner wall of the container to prevent revolution in a vertical direction; and

a flow path for flowing downward the liquid waste absorbed from an upper portion into the container.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the flow path is structured having an interstitial portion formed between the sidewall of the float body and the inner wall of the container and/or an interstitial portion formed between the float body and the guide member arranged at the outer peripheral portion of the float body.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein an absorption stop valve is arranged at an inner side of an upper portion of the container in which the absorption stop valve is activated when pushed upwards by an upward-pushing portion.

7. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the solidifying agent retaining portion is open downward and has a water permeable sheet or a water-soluble film spread and stretched at thus opening portion.

8. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the float is structured so that a specific gravity would be less than 1.

9. (Currently Amended) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 1 in which at least one portion is of a florescent color or is of a color distinguishable between a color of the liquid waste.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 3, wherein an absorption stop valve is arranged at an inner side of an upper portion of the container in which the absorption stop valve is activated when pushed upwards by an upward-pushing portion.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the solidifying agent retaining portion is open downward and has a water permeable sheet or a water-soluble film spread and stretched at thus opening portion.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the solidifying agent retaining portion is open downward and has a water permeable sheet or a water-soluble film spread and stretched at thus opening portion.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the float is structured so that a specific gravity would be less than 1.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Cancelled)

24. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the float is structured so that a specific gravity would be less than 1.

25. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the float is structured so that a specific gravity would be less than 1.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously Presented) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 3 in which at least one portion is of a florescent color or is of a color distinguishable between a color of the liquid waste.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 6₁ in which at least one portion is of a florescent color or is of a color distinguishable between a color of the liquid waste.

31. (Currently Amended) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 7₁ in which at least one portion is of a florescent color or is of a color distinguishable between a color of the liquid waste.

32. (Currently Amended) The float for a liquid waste disposal apparatus according to claim 8₁ in which at least one portion is of a florescent color or is of a color distinguishable between a color of the liquid waste.